

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

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IN RE: Sprint United Tariff 2003-710 to
Introduce Safe and Sound Solution

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**PETITION OF AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL STATES,
LLC TO CONVENE CONTESTED CASE AND TO INTERVENE**

AT&T Communications of the South Central States, LLC ("AT&T") joins the Consumer Advocate Division of the Office of the Attorney General in asking that the above-captioned tariff be suspended and a contested case proceeding opened. AT&T also asks to intervene in that proceeding.

This matter is before the agency upon the filing of a tariff by United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. ("United") to offer a service known as Safe and Sound II Solution. Safe and Sound II Solution offers customers a bundle of regulated and unregulated services at a single monthly rate. United claims that, because this tariff includes unregulated offerings, this service bundle is not subject to the resale requirements of the federal Telecommunications Act.

AT&T agrees with the Consumer Advocate Division that United's argument could allow the carrier to circumvent its resale obligations by bundling all regulated services with immaterial, unregulated products and selling the bundled, regulated services at less than the tariffed rates for the regulated services standing alone. The anti-competitive dangers of permitting this practice are obvious and should be fully considered in a contested case proceeding in which AT&T would participate as a party.

As a competing local exchange carrier in Tennessee, AT&T's legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities, or other legal interests or responsibilities may be affected or determined by the Authority's decision on this tariff. Allowing AT&T to intervene will not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of these proceedings.

AT&T therefore supports the position of the Consumer Advocate regarding this tariff and, if the Authority decides to open a contested case, seeks to intervene in that proceeding.

Respectfully submitted this 20th day of November, 2003.



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